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1.SENATOR JACOB JAVITS, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, ALBERT LAKELAND, PAID SHORT BUT USEFUL VISIT TO EGYPT JULY 9 TO 11, 1977. ARRIVING IN CAIRO JULY 9 FROM SAUDI ARABIA BY MILITARY AIRCRAFT, SENATOR MET WITH MINISTER OF FINANCE HAMID AND MINISTER OF ECONOMY AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION AL-SAYEH SAME AFTERNOON. (REPORTS OF THOSE CONVERSATIONS WERE TRANSMITTED IN REFTELS A AND B.) SENATOR EMPHASIZED TO BOTH MINISTERS DESIRABILITY OF ECONOMIC PLAN FOR EGYPT THAT COULD BE STUDIED BY CONGRESS. THERE IS CONCERN IN CONGRESS, HE SAID, ABOUT DIRECTION OF EGYPTIAN ECONOMY AND IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE EGYPTIAN VISUALIZATION OF FUTURE IN ASSESSING USEFULNESS OF AID PROGRAM. SENATOR OBSERVED SUCH PLAN WOULD MAKE IT EASIER TO OBTAIN CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT. MINECON AL-SAYEH NOTED THAT EVERYONE RECOGNIZES WHAT UNITED STATES IS DOING TO HELP EGYPT. DEVELOPMENT IS FUNCTION OF PEACE AND EGYPTIAN PEOPLE CAN'T HOPE FOR PEACE UNLESS THEY FEEL THEIR ECONOMIC SITUATION IS IMPROVING. UNITED STATES UNDERSTANDS  
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THIS AND IS SUPPORTING THAT NEED. BOTH MINISTERS SAID THAT PLAN FOR 1976 TO 1980 NOW IN ITS FINAL STAGES OF PREPARATION. PLAN CALLS FOR TWENTY BILLION DOLLARS IN INVESTMENT, EIGHT BILLION OF WHICH IS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE. DUE TO EXTREME PROBLEMS WITH BALANCE OF PAYMENT SITUATION (FIVE BILLION DOLLAR FOREIGN EXCHANGE DEFICIT IN 1977) IT HAD BEEN DIFFICULT TO FOCUS ON PLAN FOR FUTURE. NOW,

HOWEVER, WITH PLEDGES OF ASSISTANCE FROM ARABS AND OTHER DONORS, BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEM HAS BEEN SOLVED FOR MOMENT AND PLAN IS ABLE TO PROCEED.

2. FOLLOWING THESE MEETINGS CODEL, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR AND CONTROL OFFICER, FLEW TO ALEXANDRIA FOR WORKING DINNER WITH PEOPLES ASSEMBLY SPEAKER MAREI SAME EVENING (JULY 9) AND MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SADAT FOLLOWING DAY. (REPORTS OF THOSE MEETINGS CONTAINED REFS C AND D) UNFORTUNATELY, FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMY FORCED CANCEL HIS APPOINTMENT WITH CODEL AT LAST MINUTE BECAUSE OF HIS INVOLVEMENT IN KING HUSSEIN'S VISIT. SPEAKER MAREI DISCUSSED INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION AND RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO SENATOR'S CONCERNS REGARDING NEED FOR ECONOMIC PLAN. ON MIDDLE EAST, SENATOR TOLD MAREI THAT ISRAEL COULD NOT ACCEPT PLO OR INDEPENDENT PALESTINIAN STATE ON WEST BANK; WEST BANK PROVIDES VITAL SECURITY FOR ISRAEL AND IT WILL HAVE TO BE TREATED DIFFERENTLY FROM GOLAN AND SINAI. ON THOSE PATTERN PROBLEMS, SENATOR SAID HE IS CONFIDENT SOLUTIONS WILL BE RELATIVELY EASY.

3. EIGHTY-MINUTE MEETING FOLLOWED BY LUNCH WITH PRESIDENT SADAT COVERED ALMOST ALL ASPECTS OF MIDDLE EAST PEACE EFFORTS. SENATOR EXPLAINED ISRAELI SECURITY FEARS AS THEY HAVE EVOLVED SINCE 1967, AND SAID THAT INDEPENDENT WEST BANK PALESTINIAN STATE WOULD REPRESENT CONSTANT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THREAT TO ISRAEL. HE AND SADAT AGREED ON NEED TO LINK ANY WEST BANK STATE WITH JORDAN AND TO ANNOUNCE SUCH LINK IN ADVANCE OF GENEVA CONFERENCE. SADAT EMPHASIZED NOW IS TIME FOR PEACE; ALL ARAB STATES EXCEPT LIBYA AND SOUTH YEMEN ARE PREPARED TO ACCEPT PEACE SETTLEMENT. (IRAQ HAS ASSURED THEY WILL NOT OPPOSE AND SYRIA ONLY WAITING FOR EGYPT TO TAKE FIRST STEP.) SADAT UNSURE, HOWEVER, IF ISRAELIS WANT PEACE. HE SAID HE IS WILLING TO ACCEPT ANY GUARANTEES OR OTHER SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO REASSURE ISRAEL AS LONG AS ISRAELI SOLDIERS DO NOT REMAIN ON EGYPTIAN TERRITORY. SENATOR SAID HE WAS IMPRESSED WITH AGREEMENT THAT EVERYONE BELIEVES NOW IS TIME FOR PEACE. AT THIS MOMENT SADAT SAID ONLY U.S. CAN PROVIDE NECESSARY PROPOSALS TO MOVE SITUATION FORWARD. SENATOR CAUTIONED NOT TO OVERESTIMATE STRENGTH WHICH PRESIDENT CARTER HAS IN DEALING WITH ISRAEL. SADAT SAID HE REALIZED U.S. WOULD NOT FORCE ISRAEL BUT REPEATED ONLY U.S. COULD PLAY USEFUL ROLE.

4. SENATOR ALSO SURFACED IDEA OF PRELIMINARY MEETING BEFORE GENEVA TO WORK OUT SOME OF THE TOUGH PROBLEMS (UNSPECIFIED). SADAT REJECTED SUCH MEETING BUT SEEMED

TO HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH REFINEMENT OF THE IDEA INVOLVING  
ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING GROUP UNDER U.S. AUSPICES TO  
PREPARE FOR CONFERENCE. WORKING GROUP WOULD HAVE MEMBERS  
FROM ALL CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS.

5. COMMENT. CODEL'S VISIT, ALTHOUGH BRIEF, GAVE EXCELLENT  
OPPORTUNITY FOR CANDID EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON PEACE  
PROCESS AND CONTENT OF PEACE. BELIEVE THAT THIS  
WAS USEFUL EXCHANGE IN FURTHERING OBVIOUSLY NECESSARY  
DIALOGUE AT THIS VERY IMPORTANT AND EXPECTANT TIME.  
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